

Lt. Governor to Join Federal, State and Local Leaders in Addressing Tahoe Fire Protection and Recovery

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE - Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi will meet on Friday with state and local leaders in South Lake Tahoe for a briefing on the Angora Fire recovery effort and the new comprehensive plan, which outlines the next steps in the restoration of the burned areas and community. State, county and regional officials have formed a partnership to ensure that the Angora recovery process continues to be a priority.

After the briefing session, Garamendi will attend the 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Lake Tahoe Forum, joining former President Bill Clinton, Senator Diane Feinstein, and Senator Harry Reid at this public event. In 1997, while Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Interior, Garamendi helped coordinate the two day Presidential Summit at Lake Tahoe, during which \$50 million was dedicated to protect the Lake Tahoe Basin from future degradation. During his tenure as state legislator, Garamendi represented the Tahoe region for a decade, drafting key legislation such as the Lake Tahoe Acquisition Bond Act.

WHO:Lt. Governor John Garamendi

Among those also scheduled to attend the Angora Fire Recovery Briefing:

Henry Renteria, Director, Governor's Office of Emergency Services

Mike Chrisman, California Secretary for Resources

Patrick Wright, Executive Officer, California Tahoe Conservancy

Norma Santiago, El Dorado County Supervisor

Angora Fire Recovery Teams

WHEN:Friday, August 17, 2007

12:30 p.m. Angora Fire Recovery Briefing

3 p.m. 10th Anniversary Tahoe Forum

WHERE:Tahoe Recovery Briefing:

Debris Removal Operations Center
1635 Elks Club Drive, South Lake Tahoe
**10th Anniversary Celebration of the Lake Tahoe
Environmental Improvement Program:**
Sierra Nevada College, Patterson Lawn
999 Tahoe Boulevard, Incline Village, NV

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